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And For Killing Arachnids**

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The undersigned attorney, on behalf of herself and all the other practitioners of the firm, requests permission to withdraw from representation as to the above-identified patent application.

**Reason:** At the request of the Assignee, ProGuard, Inc., the file is to be forwarded to David J. Brezner of Flehr, Hohbach, Test, Albritton and Herbert LLP., (see attached copy of letter dated May 3, 2001, directed to Rae-Venter Law Group).

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